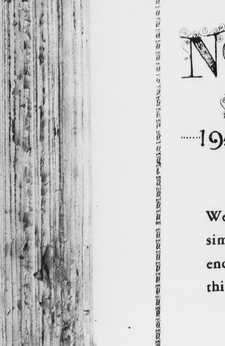


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Insurance Agency
Appomattox, Va.



We send our simple but enduring respects this season.

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Appomattox, Va.



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Appomattox, Virginia

Pamplin

Pamplin, Dec. 19.- The B. T. U. of Elon Baptist Church will present a Christmas pageant entitled, "The Coming of the King" next Sunday night, December 24.

Mrs. Howard Claytor, of Roanoke is visiting in the home of the Rev. and Mrs. W. M. Black.

Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Mann spent the week-end with relatives at Keysville.

Mrs. H. E. Hungate and little son, of Christiansburg were recent guests in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Dickerson.

Braxton Dickerson, of the U. S. Army, who is stationed at Washington, D. C., spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Dickerson.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lucado and Dick Baldwin visited relatives on the Eastern Shore last week-end.

Mrs. H. M. Marshall left Tuesday for Statesville, N. C., where she will spend the holidays with relatives.

Miss Mildred Slayton, of Lynchburg spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Slayton.

FHA Chapter

The Appomattox Chapter of the Future Homemakers of America held its regular monthly meeting December 14 in the home economics cottage. The club adopted a family to whom they will give Christmas presents.

Plans were also made for a formal New Year's party to be given January 1, 1951. A six-piece orchestra has been secured for the occasion.

Lucia Day Starts Christmas Season In Swedish Custom

Celebration of Lucia day on December 13 inaugurates the Christmas season in Sweden. It takes its name from St. Lucia, or Lucy, martyred for her faith and virginity in Syracuse in 304, A. D., and venerated by the church each December 13.

The prettiest blonde in every home, office, factory, village and town is elected a "Lucia" and visits the sick, leads carnivals and processions and attends banquets and balls accompanied by her "handmaidens."

The ancient custom coincides with the winter solstice, when the sun swings toward the earth once more and the days begin to lengthen.

In addition to beauty, other qualifications for "Lucias" or "light queens" are fair hair, a nice disposition and high character.

Dressed in long white robes, wearing crowns of lighted candles (the traditional costume for "Lucias") the girls present gifts and the traditional Lucy day coffee and rolls to hospital patients, etc. The queen and her maidens, etc. are turned in a star spangled horse-drawn chariot lead fcative processions around the village square and through city streets.

Parade participants depict alternate scenes from Sweden's picturesque Lapland and the Wild West of the United States, while musicians in multi-colored costume alternate playing northern folk tunes and American jazz.

Yugoslavia aid bill sent to the White House.

Over 1,700 wounded are flown out of Korea.

Play safe—drive carefully.



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Appomattox, Va.



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A Jolly Christmas and a Prosperous New Year

TO ALL MY FRIENDS IN APPOMATTOX, BUCKINGHAM, CUMBERLAND AND CHARLOTTE COUNTIES

"Let not one heart be sad today,
May every child be glad and gay;
God bless thy children, great and small,
In lowly hut, or castle tall,
And may each soul keep festival,
At Christmas!"

CHAS. T. MOSES
Appomattox, Va.

Retrieved Sunken Treasure Amounts to 500 Millions

How much treasure lies at the bottom of the sea in rotting ships? Billions of dollars worth, probably, but only the tidy sum of 600 million dollars seems to be accounted for by the historians.

This figure is based upon a survey of 70 odd treasure ships, now very deep, whose names, approximate locations, and cargoes have been reasonably well authenticated.

Apparently only Davey Jones has full information about other rich but lawless vessels. For instance, records are fragmentary concerning the gold-laden Portuguese galleons, which were sunk off the coast of Brazil. Many must have been lost because there is a discrepancy of two billion dollars between official records of gold mined by the Portuguese in Brazil and the amounts received in the home country.

The Spanish, too, had staggering losses. Their lumbering galleons were often easy prey for British and Dutch ships and the swift vessels of the ruthless Caribbean pirates. Half of the 600 million dollars in known lost treasure consists of sunken Spanish loot from Atlantic waters.

The luckless Spanish lost the largest shipment of precious metal they ever transported. Archives of Spain and England set the value of the treasure at 150 million dollars, which stuffed the holds of a 17-ship armada. British and Dutch men-of-war sank all but one of these vessels in an action at Vigo Bay, Spain, in 1702. The attackers got 10 million dollars, and salvage companies of half a dozen nations have since recovered an additional 20 million; the rest is 70 feet deep in the bay.

Florida's Forest Products Second Biggest Moneymaker

Second only to sprawling sands and scantily-clad femininity are Florida's forest products in filling its state coffers. Even the highly-touted citrus take of $115 million gross for 1947 trailed the finished forest products value of $232 million. Tops, of course, was the tourist turn-alsose of $790 million.

From Pensacola down to Florida's take-off-for-Cuba tip, in 1947, around 700 sawmills cut more than 571 million board feet of lumber; the pulpwood boys ground up about 1,-200,000 cords of pulpwood; the veneer operators peeled about 100 million board feet of logs to make crates and boxes for hauling citrus and truck garden crops; and the wood naval stores plants collected produce from nearly 750,000 tons of stumps. To this must be added the 34 million trees dripping gum for the markets.

Top change in Florida's forest industry in the past two decardes has been the upswing in the state's pulp and paper industry that started its first pulp mill in 1931, now has eight mills. The pulpwood output has more than doubled during the 1939-1949 period. The 1948 output reached 1,321,000 cords.

More Pigs Saved

Pigs down with erysipelas—a painful infection that involves the joints and skin—have a better chance of surviving the disease today than ever before, cornbelt veterinarians report. The former method of treatment was to inject the sick pigs with a special serum. This was very good, but not good enough. Veterinarians searching for better ways of treating these cases have now found that the recovery percentage is higher when they give the pigs penicillin in addition to the serum. Notwithstanding the improved treatment, livestock health leaders emphasize that the best way to fight this disease is by preventive vaccination in danger areas.

River of Redwoods

Rising in Lake Ewauna, which is located within the town of Klamath Falls, the blue-gray Klamath, river of legend, romance, and beauty, begins its 150-mile journey southwest to the sea. It twists through three mountain ranges—the Cascades of Southern Oregon, the Siskiyous, and the Marble Mountains of California—to a rendevous with the Pacific ocean 63 miles north of Eureka, California. The Klamath, a name of obscure origin which means "encamped," was named by Jedediah Smith in 1828. It was known to the earliest trappers and later found to be rich in gold deposits. Many people believe that John C. Fremont mistook it for the legendary Buena Ventura River.

Blue Comb in Chickens

When chickens become droopy and develop a bluish tinge in the comb and wattles, the trouble is likely to be pullet disease, also called "blue comb." Other symptoms to look for are diarrhea, darkened skin on the legs, and greatly reduced feed and water consumption. The death rate is not high, but losses in egg production are usually heavy. Outbreaks are common in pullets just taken off the range and housed, although the disease also may strike flocks on range, and a few cockerels sometimes get sick along with the pullets. Young birds are not immune, but those approaching maturity are the preferred victims.

Many Factors Contribute To Child's Unhappiness

The belief that "childhood is the happiest time of a person's life" is a tender sentiment that seems to have little or no basis in fact.

Letters received over a 12-month period by a parents' consultation service dealt with more than 50 problems which commonly harass youngsters between birth and adolescent age.

In these letters, parents from all over the United States, Alaska, and Hawaii, expressed concern about a wide variety of physical, mental and emotional conditions that cause unhappiness in their children.

There are letters that tell of children who have been rejected by other children because they are "different" in some way. From their mothers' reports, it is quite evident that these children suffer just as keenly as any adult who has failed to achieve social acceptance.

The conflicts that arise in the older child who is suddenly confronted with a "rival" in the form of a new baby brother, are no less agonizing and probably no more imaginary, than those of the mother who feels a new daughter-in-law has displaced her in her son's affections.

A child's humiliation because of failure to pass in school, or to qualify for certain school activities or teams is just as intense as that of the adult who gets fired from his job or does not get the promotion he expected.

In using their measuring stick of values for appraising a child's problems, adults frequently fail to realize how important they may be to him and how detrimental to his peace of mind and to his personality.

Boars Given Sleep Potion Before Meeting First Time

The modern mule hog is a soft, easy-loving creature compared with his fierce cousin, the wild boar. But even the barnyard boar drops his easy-going ways when he meets a stranger.

In most such instances, when boar meets boar, the fight is on.

The sight of a strange male brings out the primitive jungle warrior in the heart of the placid pig. This pugnaciousness is a real problem for swine raisers who have to keep more than one boar in the same lot, writes Dr. M. E. Muhrer of the University of Missouri. The animals usually fight until one or both are injured.

But science is bringing peace to the arena. Dr. Muhrer said the trick is done with anesthesia.

The boars are put to sleep before being brought together. On regaining consciousness, the animals square off for battle, as usual.

But still unsteady on their feet, the fighters cannot put up much of a scrap.

By the time they have regained full coordination, one boar usually has established his superiority with a few harmless attacks.

International Trade Fair

Notable among recent iternational events was the First United States International Trade Fair, held in Chicago August 7-20, 1950, for the purpose of encouraging and increasing international cooperation in the trading and business activities of the world. The fair proved an outstanding success for the buyers and exhibitors, of which the latter were 1,688. The public, too, showed keen interest by their attendance, which was permitted on Saturdays and Sundays from 10:00 a.m to 5:00 p.m., and on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. The crowd proved as great on Tuesdays and Thursdays as that on the last Thursday the hours for admission of the public were extended to run from 5:00 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.

Buying Imitation Furs

Some imitation fur fabrics are all right; some aren't. It's up to the buyer to know the difference. One of these imitation furs that women should be wary of is a glued rayon fur fabric that will not withstand dry cleaning. This same fabric was tried on the public 18 years ago, and now is making a re-appearance. It looks like any of the curly furs such as karakul or Persian lamb. You can spot this fabric by pulling on a curl and observing its construction. The center of the core of the curl is made of a two ply cotton yarn. These yarns are twisted to hold the fine cellulose acetate rayon fibers that are curled tightly around the cotton center. When dry cleaned, it practically disintegrates.

"Climbing" the Matterhorn

At Visp in the Rhone Valley, visitors to Switzerland board the narrow-gauge railroad for Zermatt and the Matterhorn. The cars climb 3,150 feet in the 22-mile southward trip up the Nikolai valley, aided by rack-and-pinion gear. Mile-high Zermatt's population of 1,300 consists chiefly of alpinist and winter sports guides, keepers and staffs of 25 inns and pensions, and their families. So that visitors may view the Matterhorn at close range without exertion, the highest open-air railway in Europe ascends 4,870 feet in its 5½-mile climb from Zermatt to the summit of the Gornergrat, surrounded by snow-capped peaks and glaciers.

History of Necktie Traced For Modern Beau Brummells

The evolution of the tie as a neckpiece dates back as far as man himself. Man has constantly decorated his neck clear back to the days when he hung teeth and bones of savage beasts around his neck as symbols of his conquests.

And so on down through the ages, neckwear, in one form or another, has run the gamut from bones and metals, heavy swathings of linens and brocades, lace and pleated ruffs to trim present day fashions of silk, rayon, nylon, wool and other blends of fabrics worn in Windsor knots, four-in-hands and bows.

The Persian palm design that is used in the paisley tie designs, a favorite among men to this day, was brought from Persia to England by Drake's sailors in 1580. They used small pieces of the material to tie up their pigtails.

The Croat troops, who came to France as mercenaries in 1600, brought the first bright colored fancy neckpieces with them. During the Thirty Years war their neckpieces were adopted and were called cravats after the Croats. The cravat was introduced into England by Charles II in 1660 after his return from exile at the French court. Charles II loved ties so much that he was known to have paid as high as $900 for a single tie.

The fashion of wearing cravats was brought to a sudden end by the French revolution. Wearing of a cravat then was enough to make one suspected of being an aristocrat. Only Robespierre and his friends were allowed to wear ties.

According to Byron, the undisputed leader in London fashion in the early 17th century was Beau Brummell, who dressed as if t were a sacred ceremony, climaxed by the knotting of his white tie. The Prince Regent, later George IV would often come to witness the ceremony.

Talent of Biblical Days Used by Several Nations

There is no measure set on talent these days, and its dollar-and-cent value is strictly up to you—with the sky the limit.

When an ancient Roman had a "great talent" he possessed only about $480 in United States currency. A "little talent" represented only $363.

The present-day meaning of "special ability" was not applied in Biblical days to the talent, a famous old unit of money. Yet, we are said to obtain our modern interpretation of the word from the Book of St. Matthew.

The story of the talents occurs in Matthew 25: 14-30, and relates how the Lord gave to his servants a numbe rof talents, "to every man according to his several ability." The one servant who was unable to build his coin into more money was the inspiration for the widely quoted passage ". . . from him that hath not shall be taken away even that which he hath."

The talent was used by the Hebrews, Babylonians, Greeks and Romans, all of whom placed different values upon it. A silver talent in Athens, Greece, amounted to about $1,000 in our modern currency, while that used in Hebrew cities was reckoned at around $1,800.

Perhaps the ancient and modern terms are not so far afield. It takes talent to acquire $1,000!

"Eyeful" of Words

How big an "eyeful" of words can you pick up from a printed page at one glance, before your eye jumps to the next package of words? The question is important because speed in reading is vital to success in some types of work. A college student should be able to read and understand 350 to 400 words a minute. If he cannot travel that fast, he is likely to be overwhelmed by the books which he must plow through. The average American male, reading silently, can manage about 250 words a minute, which is the normal rate for an eighth grade pupil. That is almost twice as fast as the normal rate at which words are spoken—over the radio, for example.

Tree Farm Acreage

The United States now has more than 21 million acres of privately owned forestland dedicated to continuing production of forest crops. While the nation's tree farm acreage continues to expand, rigid management standards maintained in the member states have been responsible for dropping a quarter million acres of once certified lands from the program since 1941. Thirty-six certificates of tree farms in Alabama and Mississippi have been revoked. In all cases, these properties were dropped from the program for failure to maintain required management standards or because of changes in ownership, Mr. McClellan said.

International Fire Department

Calais, Maine (locally pronounced to rhyme with Alice), and St. Stephen, New Brunswick, Canada, are neighbors joined by bridges across the boundary-forming St. Croix River. They share a single fire department—the ultimate evidence of friendly international relations and perhaps the only international fire department in the world. On parade, the firemen carry two flags, putting in the van the flag of the country in which they are marching.

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(12-7-3tp)

VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF APPOMATTOX COUNTY, NOV. 28th, 1950.

IN RE:

EMMA SMITH, EXECUTRIX OF THE ESTATE OF H. W. McKINNEY, DECEASED.

It appearing to the Court that Emma Smith, Executrix of the estate of H. W. McKinney, deceased, has filed in the Clerk's Office of this Court of her accounts as personal representative of the said H. W. McKinney, deceased, and that six monhths has elapsed from the date of qualification of the said personal representative, it is, therefore, adjudged, ordered and decreed that all creditors, all legatees and all heirs and all other persons interested in the estate of the said decedent shall on the 30th day of December 1950 appear before this Court in the Clerk's Office of this Court at 10:00 A. M. on the day above-named and show cause why the payment and delivery of the estate of the said decedent should not be forthwith made unto the legatees and distributees under the will of the said decedent.

It is further ordered that a copy of this decree shall be published once a week for four successive weeks in the Times-Virginian following the entry of this Order.

ENTER: Joel W. Flood
A. COPI—
Teste: C. W. Smith, Clk.
(11-30-4tc)

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TOWN ORDINANCE:

Be it ordained by the Appomattox Town Council under the date of December 18, 1950, that any and all trucking businesses maintaining an office or headquarters within the Corporate Limits shall pay an annual license fee of $10 per year on each motor tractor or truck owned and-or operated.

Be it further ordained that all wholesale and-or retail lumber and-or timber dealers shall pay a license fee of $5.00 on the first two thousand dollars sales and 4 cents for each additional hundred dollars. Effective January 1, 1951, after publication.

Town of Appomattox Council.
(1tc)

Salesman Wanted:
DON'T WRITE US IF you like to punch a time clock and work for the other man. DO WRITE US IF you would like to go into business of your own. Buy on credit. Write Rawleigh's, Dept. VAL-516-256, Richmond, Va. (1tp)

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(12-14-2tp)

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Sealed bids for the purchase of timber marked for cutting on Prince Edward State Forest estimated to be 251,256 board feet, of which about 94 per cent is pine, will be received at the office of the State Forester, Box 1368, University Station, Charlottesville, Virginia, until 9:00 a.m., on Monday, January 8, 1951. Full particulars may be secured from the State Forester at the above address or from Mr. J. C. Hayes, Forest Ranger, Cumberland, Virginia.
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The subscription price of the Times-Virginian has not increased during the long period of its present ownership. The rate was $1.50 a year back in 1931, when we started ownership of this paper. It has been that rate nearly all of its 58 years since 1892, even when it consisted of only four pages. In 1931, dark tobacco averaged 4.7 cents per pound. This week it is nearly 40. That's is the way things have gone up in price: including paper, metals, and the many items that go into producing our larger paper. It is with reluctance that we find ourselves forced to raise our subscription rate. But, we have no choice. Beginning January 1, 1951, our subscription rate will be $2.00 per year, payable in advance. Until January 1, we will accept new subscriptions and renewals at the old rate of $1.50 per year, but must limit all renewals to one year at that rate. See the label on your paper today. If you are not paid up a full year in advance, we advise you to renew at once. We also suggest a gift subscription as the best Christmas present you can give for $1.50.

NOTICE OF DIVIDEND

The Board of Directors of The Farmers National Bank has declared the regular semi-annual dividend of 3%, plus a special dividend of 3% to shareholders as of record Dec. 30, 1950. Checks will be mailed.

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